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Re: Status Regarding Certificate of Correction for
U.S. Patent No. 5,002,491

Dear Frank Berstein

On December 22, 1997, we received a request for a Certificate of Correction for the above-referenced patent. We are currently experiencing a backlog of approximately 6-8 months. We appreciate your patience while we work through our backlog.

Should expedited services be required, please contact me at (703) 305-8127.

Sincerely,

Mary Allen, Manager
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